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EO 12958 DECL: 01/14/2019 TAGS PTER, PREL, KDEM, PGOV, IN, BG SUBJECT: INDIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER EXPECTS CLOSER COUNTERTERRORISM COOPERATION WITH NEW BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT

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Classified By: Ambassador James F. Moriarty. Reasons: 1.4 (b) and (d)

SUMMARY

11. (C) The Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh told Ambassador Moriarty on 1/13 India expected improved cooperation on security and other i

INDIA STRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPROVED CT COOPERATION

12. (C) Indian High Commissioner Pinak Ranjan Chakravarty expressed pleasure over the December 29 Parliamentary election landslide victory by t

13. (C) Ambassador Moriarty said the U.S. Government understood the need for regional counterterrorism cooperation and was considering "Track T

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14. (SBU) Pinak recounted that in a meeting with Sheikh Hasina immediately after the elections she expressed a desire to invest heavily in Banc DHAKA 00000057 002 OF 002 megawatts of power from a new 750-megawatt plant near Agartala to Bangladesh, which suffers from chronic energy shortages. He acknowledged, how

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15. (C) The Awami League victory augers well for a bilateral relationship that often founders on New Delhi's charges that Bangladesh does not of